

THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

- WHEREAS: Certain real property in Georgia, because it exhibits unique natural characteristics, special historical significance, or particular recreational value, constitutes a valuable heritage which should be available to all Georgians, now and in the future; and
- WHEREAS: Because of Georgia's rapid population growth in recent decades and resulting changes in land use, many such properties have been altered and their value as part of our heritage lost; and
- WHEREAS: Buck Shoals State Park, located in White County, described more precisely on the map and table attached as Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" respectively, which are incorporated herein by reference, is owned by the State of Georgia and under the custody of the Department of Natural Resources; and
- WHEREAS: The State purchased said real property to protect its significant natural, recreational and cultural resources, and to allow compatible forms of scientific research, public education, and recreation; and
- WHEREAS: The General Assembly recognizes the above needs and the public interest in the state's heritage and, therefore, has enacted the Heritage Trust Act of 1975 (Georgia Laws 1975, p. 962); and
- WHEREAS: Said Heritage Trust Act of 1975 provides that any real property owned by the State of Georgia and under the custody of the Department of Natural Resources may be dedicated as a Heritage Preserve after written recommendation by the Board of Natural Resources and approval by the Governor; and
- WHEREAS: The Board of Natural Resources has made a written recommendation that Buck Shoals State Park be dedicated as a Heritage Preserve, and I, as Governor, concur in the Board's desire to protect said real property in the

most effective manner available, in order to confer the best and most important benefit to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

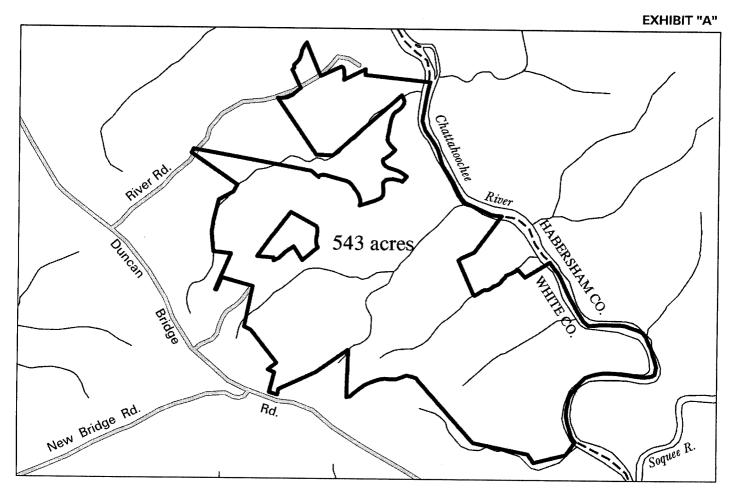
ORDERED: That Buck Shoals River Park be dedicated as a Heritage Preserve to protect, conserve and preserve the recreational, natural and cultural resources of this property for the benefit of present and future generations; that its primary management be for public outdoor recreational uses, such as picnicking, swimming, fishing, boating, camping, hiking, observing and photographing nature, and the provision of facilities needed to support these and related activities; that it also be used for scientific research, education and wildlife management activities including hunting; and that other outdoor recreational uses also be allowed, to the degree these secondary uses can be accommodated without conflicts with the aforementioned primary uses; all under conditions carefully monitored and controlled by the Department of Natural Resources, and subject to the Board of Natural Resources' general supervision and direction in the protection, management, operation and use of said Heritage Preserve.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That this Executive Order be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of White County and with the State Properties Commission.

This 2/ day of January, 2004.

GOVERNOR



BUCK SHOALS STATE PARK

White County

EXHIBIT "B"

BUCK SHOALS STATE PARK

Locations of Deeds and Plats to State-owned Lands As of September 24, 2003

County	Conveyor	Deed Type and Interest ¹	Acreage ²	Deed Book: Page(s)	Plat Book: Page(s)
White	Dennis M. Crean	General Warranty	290	672: 308-321	N/A
	The Trust for Public Land	General Warranty	253	689: 301-305	19: 111
		Total Acreage	543		

^{1.} Unless otherwise stated, deed is warranty deed and interest is fee-simple.

^{2.} Acreage figures are for illustrative purposes only.